

SYSTEMS, METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REMOVING OBSTRUCTIONS FROM A BLOOD VESSEL

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

- A system for removing an obstruction from a blood vessel includes an
- 5 obstruction engaging element and an expandable capture element. The capture element preferably has a flexible cover and an expandable support structure. The engaging element engages the obstruction and moves the obstruction into the capture element. The capture element protects the obstruction when the obstruction is moved into the catheter.